EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA: SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1915.



Sultan Prepares to Flee City as Allied Fleets Hammer at Dardanelles-Coup Is Expected.

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Constantinople is the goal of the ailled forces in the Levant. And Constantinople te trembling at the fate that may be hars. There is panle in the Turkish empirical as the warships of the Allies putned away at the Dordsnelles forfresses. Will Constantinople be the first of the "snearly"s capitals" to fall? The Turkis see rushing defenses to prevent such a

Holy relics have been removed to Repussa, whither the Sultan and his per-science are making ready to follow. All of the available forces, about 150,000 men. are concentrated in the capital.

Advianople is virtually evacuated and heavy guins removed to Chatalia, which has been fortified. Frenzled-huirenching

has been fortified. Frenziel. A direnching work is in progress along the shores of the Dardanelles and Bosporus. The heavy proparations are being made to resist parsage of a hostile fleet. Dispatches say the Turk's are fortifying the island of Marmora in the Sea of Marmora. (The Sea of Marmora lies Se-tureen Europe and Asia, communicating with the Aegean Sea by the Dardanelles and with the Black Sea by the Bos-porus.) porun.)

It is believed that Abdul Hamid, former Sultan, has been secretly taken into the interior of Asia Minor, as he has legants

the is said the attack on Egypt has been definitely abandoned and the troops, recalled to defend the Asiatic side of the trains and Broussa. German families are fleeing Constantinople.

No city in the world has stood so many sigges as Constantinople. It was taken sud retaken by the Venetlan crusaders in the early part of the 13th century and in 1453 It was captured by Mohammed II, who made it the capital of the Ottoman Empire. It was first fortified in 53' A. D., when, as Byzantium, it was made the capital of the Roman Empire.

The city is now equipped with the most addern of fortifications. Its armaments and works were completely reconstructed and extended in 1878 after the war with and extended in 1878 after the war with Russia. They have been kept up to date since then. The city is a natural stronghold. It is situated on a series of sentie hills at the eastern extremity of a triangular promontory, having the Sea of Marmora and the Bosporus on the south and the sent and the Color

See of Marmora and the Bosporus on the south and the east and the Golden Horn on the north. It is thus guarded by water on all sides except the west, which is walled. Constantinople's sky line is picturesque,

Constantinople's sky line is picturesque, but within the city it consists of a labyrinth of crooked streets and dirty albys. Modern buildings have displaced the quaint Oriental structures of 30 years ago. The city's moaques are its archi-tectural triumphs. The population, In-cinding the suburbs, is estimated 1.125,-600, comprising Turks, Greeks, Armenians, Franks, ewJs and others.

ROME, Jan. 2 .- An uncensored dispatch

ROME, Jan. 2.-An uncensored dispatch from Constantinople says: "A coup d'etat is feared and the gar-rison at Constantinople has been doubled. The Suitan's palace is surrounded by troops, with an especially heavy com-plement of artillery. The guns are loaded and are pointing up the streets, which are patrolled night and day by police and troops. "Preparations are being rushed for de-

"Preparations are being rushed for de-fense against an attack on the Darda-ndles. It is openly admitted that Enver Pasha, the Minister of War, is most unlar and does not dare to venture out

The Germans here are much preoc cupled, since a revolution inevitably would be followed by an Anglo-Turkish FORMIDABLE, STRUCK FORE AND AFT, SANK **RAPIDLY; 151 SAVED**

Submarine, It Is Conceded, Wrecked British Battleship-Country Stunned by Loss.

LONDON, Jan. 2.

No navai disaster of the war to date has so depressed Britain as the loss of the second-line battleship Formidable. It s now considered certain that me was torpedoed by a German submarine. The naval experts units in declaring that, while such losses must be expected, they again direct special attention to the sub narine policy.

There is much under-surface irritation and pitter criticism of the apparent use-lessness of the British submarines, and many of the critics openly ask why they have failed as guard vessels. The Ad-miralty still withholds the complete de-

tails of the disaster. The latest reports received today show that only 151 of the Formidable's crew have been accounted for. There is still slight hope that others may be brought in by fishing boats, but this is very faint, as the warship was torpedoed fore and aft and practically her entire bottom blown and practically her entire bottom blown out. She sank in lass than ten minutes. Among the rescued are eight officers and six midshipmen. There were 16 mid-shipmen on board the battleship. The name of the place where the trawler

landed was cut out by the censor. The reactors were made in dangerous and exciting circumstances. The crew of the trawler were amazed while runof the travier were analysed while full ing before the gale for shelter to find a small open boat driving under their les through mountainous seas, with an oar holsted, bearing a sailor's scarf. After desperate efforts, those on the travier successed in getting a rope to the cutter

and brought her, with great skill, to their stern. The Chronicle's Brixham (Devonshire) prrespondent, who describes the rescue correspondent, who describes the rescue by the trawler, says the captain of that versel states that other fishing boats were close at hand. The captain ex-presses the belief that other survivors have been rescued and taken to Dart-

outh. If the sinking of the Formidable took place near Baixham or Dartmouth, in Devon, the submarine which made the attack had traveled a long distance from Zeebrugge, in Belgium. Baixham is about 203 miles west of Dover." Devon is the next county east of Cornwall.

BRITAIN TO HAVE 800,000 SOLDIERS AT FRONT SOON

Six New Army Corps to Be Added to Forces.

LONDON, Jan. 2.-Important news of the reorganization of the British land forces into six armies of perhaps 125,000 or 150,000 fighting men each is contained in an order of Earl Kitchener issued today for the merging of Sir John French's expeditionary force with the volunteers who have been in training camps since August and September.

The news of the sweeping changes was made public in the briefest possible manner. The general order merely announced the names of the six Generals who will command the six field armies of at least three army corps each, and three Gen-erals who will command the three extrr army corps outside this organisation. The new first army will be commanded by Sir Douglas Haig; the second by Sir Horace Smith-Dorrien; the third by Sir Archibald Hunter: the fourth by Sir Ian Hamilton, the fifth by Sir Leslie Rundle, and the sixth by Sir Bruce Meade Hamil-

ton. The three army corps will be com-manded by Sir Charles C. Munro, Sir Charles Fergusson and Sir H. C. O.



In peace every agency works hard to save an individual's life.



But in war the individual becomes merely fuel in the stoke hole of the ship of state. Copyright, 1914, by John T. McCutcheon,

FOE'S GUNS ON THE AISNE Sappers of Both Armies Blow Up Trenches.

mastery. At one point on the Aisne French artillery prevented a German concentration movement. The Germans are again bombarding the French posi-tion at Rheims. East of Rheims the Gerin the Argonne district, however, the

Kaiser's forces made slight advances in

losses at Steinbach, the statement says, where the French have taken three more rows of houses in hand-to-hand fighting

Thousands of German reinforcements have been brought up in the Argonne and a general offensive has been attempted, plainly for the purpose of forcing a with-drawal in Alsace, where the Germans are being strongly pressed. Despite their best efforts the Germans have been un-able to make any distinct gains, accord-ing to the latest reports to the War Office.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A wireless dis-patch received here from Berlin says that the following greeting has been sent by Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria to the Przemysl garrison. "His Royal Apostolic Majesty motes with heartfelt gratitude the spirited allegiance of the garrison at Przemysl. In the spiendid resist-at defenders the Emperor perceives the calm security with which the Przemysl fort will suc-cessfully resist the enemy."

TAFT SAYS JAPAN HAS NO DESIGNS **ON PHILIPPINES**

AUSTRIAN KAISER CHEERS

GARRISON OF PRZEMYSL

Ex-President Discredits That Idea and Declares Islands Unfit for Self-Government.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 .- With remarkable candor ex-President Taft told the Senate Philippines Committee today that the Japanese do not want the Philippines, and that one or two generations ought to pass before the Filipinos get independence.

"I don't care for the power of the United States in the Philippines," he said. "I would like this country to get out of the islands, so far as this country alone is concerned. But I am thinking about the poor people of the islands. They are not fit for self-government. They don't like me out there, because I told them so, and told them the truth.

"However, if the naval base on the islands were strongly fortified, I think islands were strongly fortified, I think that any of the European nations now at war would regard it as an element of strength rather than weakness. "The only Power to which the jalands are considered desirable-I mean Japan-does not care for the islands at all, I think."

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The direct question of whether Japan might not seize the islands and ask us what we were going to do about it if that country were asgravated by our treatment of Japanese in California was put to Mr. Taft by Senator Hitchcock. NOT WANTED BY JAPAN.

"That might happen," he said. "The apanese might seize the islands because a provocation of another sort, but I do not think they would be seized for any desire for the Islands themselves. "In the event of that kind of trouble would we not have to fight the Filipinos also?" asked Senator Lane.

"Well, if the Filipinos got the Japanese "Well, if the Filipinos got the Japanese or the Germans for masters they would learn a few things about self-govern-ment," the ex-president replied. "Do you think that if the Filipinos got their independence they would be any their independence other out faster

The man who thought he was to than the Christian nations of Europe?"

are protected." When Lane persisted in his inquiry about the Germans or Japanese taking over the islands, Taft said, as far as finding out about self-government, the Filipinos would be like St. Patrick when he looked for frogs in Ireland-that there weren't any

LOSS IN BRITISH TRADE culation that a Japanese army was or the way to Europe.

IN MORTALITY LIST OF HOLIDAY WEEK Suicide, Homicide, Fire

38 VIOLENT DEATHS

Rail, Auto and Trolley Accidents Contribute to Total of 562.

> Thirty-eight deaths from violent cause courred during Philadelphia's holiday week. Six were sulcides, seven due in burning, 10 from injuries received by falls and two were homicides. Auto mobiles, trolleys and railroads were reponsible for fatalities.

The total number of deaths during the last seven days was 562, five less that last week and 28 more than during the coresponding week last year. Trans missible diseases caused 169 of the deaths this week.

Eighty-five new cases of diphtheris were reported during this week, 39 more than in the preceding week. Diphtheris caused 14 deaths this week. Chicken per developed 129 new cases in all parts o the city. Other new cases of disease de veloping were measles, 90; mumps, scarlet fever, 29, eight more than week; typhold fever, 13,

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JAPS AID CZAR'S GUNNERS

Authorized to Serve After Bringing Field Pieces. TOKIO, Jan. 2.-Japanese soldiers went to the Russian frontier some time age

to deliver guns and ammunition purchased in Japan and an authorization by Emperor Nicholas for Japanese to servi in the Russian army was gazetted recently in Harbin, Manchuria. These facts are advanced here as a possible explanation of the report in cir

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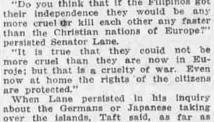
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ALLIES' ARTILLERY SILENCES TURK HOST BALKS **AS EGYPTIAN RAID NEARS COLLAPSE**

British Ready to Meet Threatened Invasion of African Province-Pontoons to Bridge Canal.

LONDON, Jan. 2. Turkey's invasion of Egypt is threatned with collapse, in spite of the reports that a large force is moving upon the Suez Canal. Ponton trains, it is said, are bringing up bridging material

to span the canal. However, the operations are not regarded seriously, as it is said the Turkish forces are badly disorganized and

even mutinles are breaking out on every side. The British are well able to meet

the attacks, it is said. Refugees to Cairo from Jaffa, in Pal-estine, declare that Djemal Pasha ar-

PARIS, Jan. 2. PARIS, Jan. 2. The destruction of German trenches near Parvillers and La Beisselle is re-ported in this afternoon's official War Office statement, but slight successes for the Germans are also admitted. The French have maintained all their gains in west Flanders, near Nieuport. Artillery duels are in progress around Aras, Albert, Roye and along the Aisne, where the French have gained the mastery. At one point on the Aisne

the forest of LaGrurie. The Germans have suffered very heavy

in the streets. Thousands of German reinforcements

VICTORIOUS KING **OF THE LOBSTERS**

> Sleep, But His Subjects Brought a Band to Serenade Monarch.

e king for only a day is having the

Yesterday Joseph Chambers, presl testerday Joseph Chambers, presi-dent and captain of the Lobsters, was monarch of all he surveyed. He won the first prize, \$100, in the fancy dress contest of the mummers' parade. And even if the achievement did necessi-

DONS CROWN AGAIN

Joe Chambers Wanted to

glory protracted.

tate his wearing a headdress larger and more formidable than that of the Dowager Empress of China, a neck-piece that made the antlers of a bull moose look small by comparison and regal robes weighing several hundreds of nounds it was worth it.

GERMANS GAIN, THEN LOSE ADVANTAGE NEAR RAWA

Fighting Increases in Intensity as Offensive Is Resumed in Poland. PETROGRAD, Jan. 2.

In the Mlawa region the Germans have value tried to assume the offensive and severe fighting continues there. Slight German gains are admitted at several points, but none of the Russian strategic positions are as yet threatened. The Germans, who had erected earthworks and wars holding the island of Janyshew, op-posite Vysogrod, have been shelled and driven back to the opposite shore by Rus-stan steamers on which heavy artillary was mounted. The German losses are de-clared to have been beavy clared to have been heavy. Between the Lower Vistula and the Pillea Rivers the Germans, under the cover of their heavy guns, attacked in force and were able to make alight gains which, however, they relinquished after a series of counter assaults. Heavy losses were sustained by both sides in this fight-

At Lyskov, on the Brura, the Germany at Lyagov, on the Beura, the Germans stincked in great force last night, but failed to make any headway. In the vicinity of Rawa, the latest reports say that the Germans are confluing their activity and that the fighting continues without indication of an early decision being reached. Between the mouths of the Blais and Rylks Rivers and south of the Pilics, in the vicinity of Opocano and Labochina, the Germans are renew-ing their offensive and the fighting there is increasing in Interactive

Increasing in Intensity. In creasing in Intensity. In Galicia the Russians carried the optifications of the village of Mahonka, our Gordice, taking 3000 sprisoners and guns. The battle is still in progress in its ragion, the enemy attacking and ounter attacking, using bayonets, hand penades and supported by their armored whos cars. tor cars.

EMERGENCY AID PLANS

Committee Will Decide Today How to Distribute \$50,000.

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Plumer, respectively. Beyond these bare official details noth-ing whatever has been let slip concernng the numbers, the disposition or the details of organization of the new units. No one outside the War Office can say how many of the new armies are now on or near the firing line. It is supposed, however, that the Brit-

ish army corps, as now constituted, is isn army corps, as now constituted, is formed on the Continental model, which would give a strength of more than 40,000 men of all arms. This estimate will, consequently, bring the total Brit-ish strength soon to be in the field, if not actually on the firing line, between \$00,000 and \$00,000 men.

KAISER GAINS GROUND ON VERDUN OPERATION

Continued from Page One tured. Vienna admits the vigor of the Russia nCarpathian offense.

Both Berlin and Petrograd chronicle action along the Bzura and Rawka Rivers. The former claims progress in attacks; the latter announces advances.

Constantinople is reported in a panic, fearing siege by the Allied flects now bombarding the Dardanelles. Defenses for the city are being rushed.

While the Turkish invasion of Egypt is believed about to collapse, it is nevertheless reported strong forces are moving on the Suez Canal, bearing trains of pontoon bridges to effect a crossing.

GERMAN ADVANCE ON MEUSE

Important Gains Made North and South of French Stronghold.

IMPERILS VERDUN DEFENSES

BERLIN, Jan. 2. A successful counter offensive move-ment in the Argonne and between the Meuse and the Mozelle, which has not only checked the Franch advance upon Metz, but has placed the Allies' line south of Verdun in jeopardy, is reported today by the German War Office.

today by the German war Office. The report announces the capture of Bass Britilies, north of Verdun, for the possession of which a stubborn hattle was fought. At the same time flerce French attacks near Allly, near Apre-ment (both north of Verdun) and north of Commercy were repulsed with heavy lesses to the enemy. Commercy is in miles south of St. Mihisi, and the report above that the Germans have made an shows that the Germans have made an important advance of their wedge lines at thus point.

It is admitted that the French have comharded Saarhurg, 13 miles across the

bother of Lorrains. The French official report of further gains at Steinbach, the Alsatian village which dominates the highways to Alt-throk and Muthaman, is positively de-nied. All of the Franch attacks at this point have been reputed. The Garman, official assert

which have been reputned, the Corrian. The Germany also Beolars lost the French are now avatamatically bembard-ng and destroying willesses in the rear-of the Corman lines, taking their benzent mings arms for this purpose. Many soll motionization as wall as collines have been without at destroying signs by series are the constraint of the series.

rived at Jerusalem on Friday last to command 5000 miserably equipped troops. The following day Djemal Pasha was found dead in his room. Just what forces are actually on the Sinai peninsula are ot known. While the desultory campaign in Egypt

While the desultory campaign in Egypt is proceeding, dispatches from Armenia declare the Russians are meeting with successes along the whole line. Reports say that the enemy's plan provided for a frontal attack by the northern column with the envelopment of the Russian rear in the direction of Kars, Sarikamisch and Karaurgan, while the bouthern column was to cut the communications of the Russians at Bayazat.

MEXICANS TOO BUSY TO HOLD PEACE PARLEY

Convention Proposed for January 10 May Be Postponed Indefinitely. WASHINGTON, Jan. 2-Mexican gen-

erals were too busy fighting to hold the "peace convention," scheduled yesterday by Provisional President Gutlerrez, acby Provisional President Gutierrez, ac-cording to diplomatic dispatches here to-day. The new convention, proposed now for January 10, may also be indefinitely postponed. Until the Villista forces at-tain a declaive victory of the tain a decisive victory on the east coast and at Monterey, it is considered impos-sible to hold the convention. Gutierreg will hold on in the meantime.

Advices to the rival juntas here are to the effect that extensive military operations require the presence of the Villa and Zapata leaders in the field. Villa himself is reported waiting, however, in Mexico City, and Zapata at Cuernavaca. General Scott, chief-of-staff, today re-ported further progress in his negotia-tions to make the Arisons border immune from bullets of the Maytorena and Hill armies. A definite agreement has been delayed because of the difficulty of hold-ing further conferences with both generals.

ITALY OUSTS GERMAN AGENTS

GERMAN NAVAL "NIBBLERS"

ROME, Jan. 2.—Three score persons, be-liaved to be agents of Germany and Aus-tria engaged in forwarding contraband goods into those countries, have been notified by the representatives of the Government that they must leave the country.

British "bait." The sea losses have been: Vessels. Closs. " Pathfinder, patrol scout Hogue, armored cruiser Aboukir, armored cruiser Aboukir, armored cruiser Hauke, protected cruiser Hauke, protected cruiser Harmes, protected cruiser Hermes, protected cruiser Monmouth, armored cruiser Niger, gumboat Bulucark, butlieship Formidmbir, builieship



CARPATHIAN DEFILES TO HUNGARY PLAINS

First Line Troops Force Way Through Icy Passes. Vanguard Captures Several Villages.

VIENNA. Jan. 2. The main Russian attack is being directed against Hungary instead of Germany or Western Galicia. Official dispatches from the front say that the Russlans in enormous force have driven through the Carpathians, advancing in four columns from Nysykow, Skyle, Turka and Goritce. The vanguard of the invaders is the crack 8th Russian Corps and behind it is declared to be first-line Russian troops apparently withdrawn from the Polish front.

The Russians have burst through the Austrian defensive arrangements in weat-ern Galicia and are again pushing for-ward over the Hungarian plains. The first troops to penstrate the passes of the Carpathians appeared on the eastern ends of the mountain traverses early this morning, and by nightfail had captured several Hungarian villages and had re-occupied a great portion of the territory which they captured on their first in-

cursion The new invasion is composed of four

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Germany's "nibbling" naval policy has made way with much of the British "batt." The sea losses have been:

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f pounds, it was worth it. This morning, however, Mr. Chambers had planned to have the comfortable, or-dinary time of a mere mortal. He was going to spend the day in bed. When man has walked the streets of Philadela man has walked the sites of Financian phia from 5 o'clock New Year's morning until 7:30 in the evning this is eminently the most sensible thing to do the morn-ing after, even if it isn't kingly. But the Lobsters deemed otherwise, Believing their king to have all of the super-human powers that most rulers

super-human powers that most rulers are credited with, they descended upon him en masse, a band at their head, at 10:30 o'clock this morning and, assembling outside of his home, 2536 South Franklin street, called upon him to come forth and show himself and be congratulated

Uneasy lies the head that wears crown. Joseph, turning on his pillow, thought his subjects were in revolt, or that the world had come to an end or that he hadn't got the first prize. But the proud voice of his wife, calling, "Joe, Joe, come downstairs, the Lobsters are here," brought him to himself. And, shoes in hand the king came down, his

brown-stockinged feet swollen to almost twice their normal size. But the Lobsters would have none of their king in the mundane clothes of a machinist, which is the everyday occupation of Mr. Chambers, and so the regal head-dress had to be lifted from the parlor window where it had been put to call forth the admiration of passersby and placed on the tired head of the South Philadelphia monarch.

"The spirit is willing but the flesh is eak,' said the King to his wife, "get veak.

me my boots. I can't set my shoes on." "For 19 years." he continued, proudly trying to keep the pain out of his face trying to keep the pain out of his face while two subjects drew on the boots, "I have been a New Year's shooter. The first time I ever went into the parade I had the honor to be one of the pages carrying the cape of Congressman Wil-

"But carrying a cape isn't the hard work that wearing one is. Seventy-five pages were required to carry mine, and

pages were required to carry mine, and in order to get it on yesterday I had to so into Mifflin Square. "These streets around here weren't large enough. I had to take it off last night in order to get down Franklin street to get to bed." Outside the Lobster's hand played "Tip-Outside the Lobster's hand played "Tip-

erary" impatiently. The King abjured he huge costume of state; he couldn't have got through the doorway if he hadn't, and, donning a smaller one, hob-bled out amid the cheers of his subjects, who demanded that he parade once more.

WINNING MUMMERS JOYFUL

Lobsters Win Extra Prize of Girard Avenue Business Men.

Avenue Business Men. Members of the Lobster New Year Club and of the White Cap Association are jubilant today over their success in the nummers' parade. The addition to whining the first prize for the best fancy club by the Girard Avenue Business Men's Association and another of 185 officed by the South in Street Business Men's Association. The White Caps wou the comis prize of 15 awarded by the Girard avenue as-sociation, and the prize of 85 offered by the M street association.

sociation, and the prize of \$35 offered by the M street association. The Columbia Avenue Business Men's Association offered \$50 in prizes for clubs which would march an Columbia, symins There were no compatiblers, as no routanties of awards was given co-less than, were of clubs in inc. the

Clearing House Reports Decrease of \$8,856,780,000 in 1914.

LONDON, Jan. 2 .- The report of the learing House shows that the business for the year 1914 amounted to £14,665,048,-000 (\$73,325,000,000), which was a decrease of £1,771,555,000 (\$8,856,780,000) as compared with the year 1913.

The Stock Exchange business during 1914 amounted to £1,481,780,000 (\$7,408,900,000), which was a decrease of £200,251,000 (\$3,001,255,000) as compared with 1913. (15,070,000) is compared with 1515. The Bank of England sold £1,014,000 (5,070,006) in gold. The destination of the gold is not given, but it is believed to be France and to be connected with the impending issue here of £10,000,000 (\$50,000,000) worth of French Treasury bills.

BROKER TO WED ARTIST

Joel Cooke Huber, an insurance broker, 1419 North Broad street, and Miss Mary A. Hays, an artist, 5334 Sherwood road, appeared at City Hall, and a marriage license was issued to them. Frank A. Hays, an architect and the father of the young woman, was also present. Miss Hays is 20 years old, consequently Mr. Hays was required to give his consent the marriage.

TWELVE BRITISH SHIPS SUNK

Month of December Disastrous for Empire's Commerce.

LONDON, Jan. 2-A Government renonth of December sank five British teamships, aggregating 15,795 tons. Seven British vessels, aggregating 7432 ons, were destroyed by mines, with oss of 25 lives.

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